

## OPEN LETTER

To Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States:

Sir:—Your Postmaster General, the Hon. George B. Cortelyou, formerly chairman of the National Republican Committee, is regarded to be the nearest man to you. He having been transferred to the Treasury Department, there is no doubt that he will be able to be a greater factor in the American body politic.

I desire to call your attention in this connection that the Treasury Department and all other departments under your Administration have established a "Jim Crow" system. I am impressed with the idea that this color-line policy under your administration meets with your approval. There never was so much prejudice against the colored American till you assumed control of this Government. There is no department under this Administration that hasn't a "Jim Crow" section. If you do not approve this, will you kindly issue an order or ask your several chiefs whether such exists in the department referred to by me in this letter?

You have pretended to be a friend to the colored Americans, but you must admit that your recent trip South has caused you to change your policy. Will you kindly state the cause of this sudden change of front? If you have an idea that you can appease or change the policy of the South by your patronizing policy you are mistaken. You can change the spots on a leopard as quick as you can change the Democratic South. It has been said by several Democratic Senators from the South that Senator Tillman doesn't express the sentiments of the South. I am sure I see no more difference in their indorsement of you than I do of the Senator from South Carolina. You both are against the negro. Your secretary of War as well as yourself has said as had things against the dismissed negro soldiers as the Senator from South Carolina. The Senator from Tennessee, Mr. McCormack, has declared that the colored Americans are ungateful. To what extent I am unable to discover, unless it is that we don't tamely submit and indorse your unconstitutional acts, that you have already admitted by the revocation of the latter clause of your order of dismissal. What has the colored man to be grateful to you for? You admit yourself that you have appointed less colored men to office than your predecessor, the late President McKinley. Must we be grateful for this uncharitable act? The Senator from Tennessee stated that you invited Prof. Booker T. Washington to the White House to dine. Must the entire colored race get down upon their knees and thank you for it? How does this social act benefit the colored race? It has done more to inflame the South against the negro rather than to benefit him. Following your subsequent acts of political discrimination is like a cow that gives a full bucket of milk, etc. You know the moral. You started out to defend the colored Americans and lead him to believe that your "door of hope" policy would be carried out. But, when the Democratic South presumed that something must be done to close this so-called door-of-hope policy which you had inaugurated, you were invited to go south. On your second visit the American negro looked to you to say something against the revised constitutions in the South which disfranchised thousands of your faithful black allies, to their surprise said nothing against the unconstitutional acts of the South, but you did admonish the students of Tuskegee to follow industrial education, which they intended to do without admonition from you. As president of a great republic don't you think that it was your duty to have condemned the Democratic South? I want to say that the negroes owe you nothing and they have nothing to be grateful for so far as you are concerned. It certainly would be an act of ingratitude if the colored Americans failed to give their entire support to the Senator from Ohio, Mr. Foraker, who has so manfully defended the rights of the colored soldiers. I understand that a few resolutions have been passed by a benevolent colored society in the South indorsing your order of dismissal. If such resolutions have been passed they don't amount to very much because the colored vote doesn't count in Louisiana. Some southern Democrat must be interested in this benevolent society. In the North the negro is sane and I don't believe that any sane colored man will adopt resolutions condemning himself. It is not natural. You have made every effort to justify your course and the more you try the deeper you sink.

Your last pretext is that it is not the

Brownsville matter that you are being opposed for. What else can it be? If you had not committed this blunder you would have no cause for making such an excuse. You may defy the Senate but the voters in this country will not sustain you no matter how much you may beg the question. You say that you don't want any third term. It matters but little to us whether you do or not, the colored vote almost to a man will not support you or any man named by you and if you are of the opinion that you have a colored representative strong enough to unite the colored vote on either yourself or a candidate named by you, I would like very much for you to name him. It will be political death to any colored representative under your administration to justify your order of dismissal of the negro troops. You may judge the sentiment of the negro by his absence at your reception January first.

The Rev. S. L. Corrothers and his two sons called. He claims that he had no desire to call but his two boys were anxious to see you. Whether this is true or not, Rev. Corrothers is responsible for the statement. You have declared to the Senate that you will not recede from your former position. There is one consolation the colored American has, and that is, you will not be President of the United States after the expiration of your term of office. If you think that the South can aid you or be any help to you, I would advise you to continue to coquet with her. The South is for the South and the South alone. God alone is the only Being to change her. Awaiting further developments believe me to be Americans for Americans.

The Editor.

### HOWARD'S NEW PRESIDENT.

Rev. W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University is daily gaining in popularity among the people of the United States who are interested in this institution. Rev. Thirkield is a Christian gentleman who is interested in the university and the colored youth. He seems to be working in harmony with his faculty and others who are directly connected with the university.

The colored people of the United States who have declared that they were opposed to Dr. Gordon and would contribute to the institution if the proper man was made president, have an opportunity of showing their gratitude by contributing to the University now. There is no better man connected with any institution in the United States than the present president of Howard University, Dr. Thirkield. He is doing all in his power to build up a great institution for the colored youth. There are over eleven millions of colored Americans in the United States. Many of them have money and can well afford to support such an institution as Howard University. Many of them have declared against industrial education and advocated higher education for the colored youth. Why don't the advocates of higher education show that they mean what they say. It is believed that the university within a few years will lead all other institutions of its kind. The Bee wishes the new president success.

### WANTS BERESFORD'S MILLION

Flora Wolff, Colored, Says She is Lawful Widow and Demands Dower.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 10.—It is announced that Flora Wolff, the colored woman who calls herself "Lady Beresford" and asserts that she is the lawful widow of S. Delevell Beresford, brother of Lord Charles Beresford, will sue for her widow's rights in the million dollar estate.

Beresford was a rancher and was killed in a recent wreck on the Soo Railroad. Lord Charles Beresford is named as executor in the will, which devises \$10,000 to Flora Wolff, who has this to say about her suit:

"By the laws of Mexico I am recognized as Beresford's widow and I mean to have the estate. I have lived with him for twenty-five years and was always recognized as his wife. He told the merchants in El Paso recognized me as 'Lady Beresford,' and I can bring hundreds of witnesses to prove it.

"Beresford met me in Chihuahua, Mexico, twenty-five years ago, when I was working in the family of the United States Consul and he fell in love with me. We lived together until his death. Beresford often promised a legal marriage, but said it was not necessary, as every one recognized us as man and wife. He told me that he had made a will leaving everything to me and I believe there is a later will than the one found leaving me only \$10,000."—Phila. Ev. Bulletin.

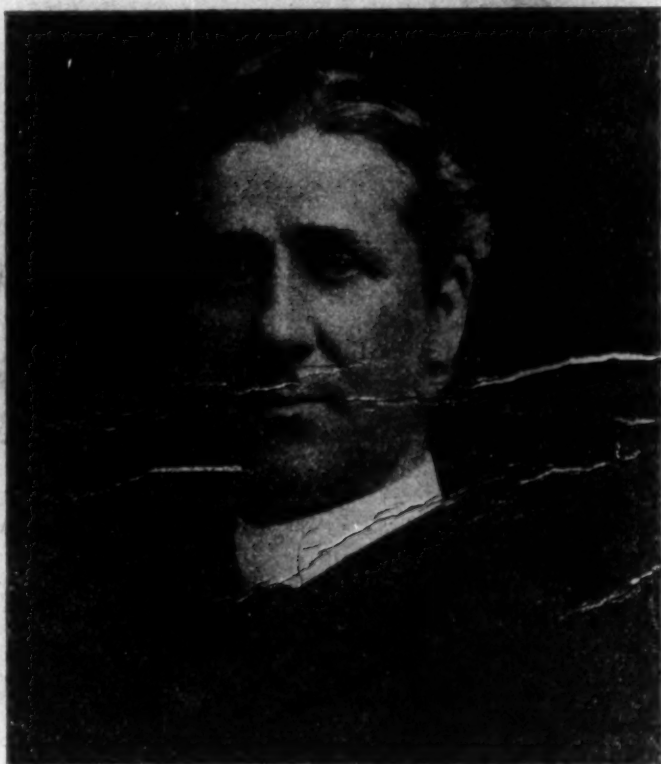
David Martin, ex-slave and former coachman to Andrew Jackson, died at the State Penitentiary of Iowa. He was 100 years old.

## What I Saw And Heard

Things are lively in town at present. The Cardozo matter is the topic of conversation. I feel confident that if Cardozo can show that he never wrote any letters or said anything against the Assistant Superintendent he will be retained in his position. But, what excuse will he offer when he is confronted with the statement he made to Superintendent Chancellor?

The Green report will sleep for a while. It will never see day light. The Green report is made up of the imaginary wrongs of the alleged citizens (?) committee. This so-called citizens committee is an amusing institution. There are about five individuals connected with it who are supposed to represent the entire population. No one asked these disgruntled gentlemen to take up the grievance of the people because they have none. Why don't these people return to their homes and protest against the school system in their own States?

Judge Kimball called a few members of the bar to him a few days ago and informed them that he had given them a room between the two courts, but for reasons better known to himself he had decided to take it from them and



REV. W. P. THIRKIELD, PRESIDENT OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

give it to the newspaper reporters. Mr. Chase said that he had been informed or heard that the reason for taking the room away was because a certain Republican clerk didn't want colored members of the bar near him. Judge Kimball of course disclaimed any such a thing, but yet no reason is given just why the room has been taken from the lawyers and given to the reporters. The lawyers are officers of the court and the newspaper men are nothing more than paid servants of the press. The room that the judge wants to give for the one already assigned the lawyers is upon the top floor, while the other one is between the two courts. Ex-Judge Hewlett said in reply to a remark made by Judge Kimball that colored lawyers had done so well that almost the entire business in the police Court is under their control. The defense in the Cardozo case will be ready for trial shortly. Mr. Cardozo no doubt realizes the difference in having power to recommend dismissals and being upon charges himself.

There have been a great many social functions given within the past two weeks.

Mr. J. A. Lankford has resigned from the directorship of the Jamestown Exposition. Things seem to be in a mix-up. The great mistake Col. Jackson made was the removal of Lankford. While Lankford may want his, he never fails to spend his own money to make things a success. This kid glove crowd that has Col. Jackson in hand will never succeed. Col. Jackson must have the people with him. His advisers are wrong, selfish and deceitful. He has too many of them.

FAIRPLAY.

### CARDOZO TRIAL STIRS

SCHOOL BOARD DISAGREES OVER EVENING SESSION.

THREE FAIL TO ATTEND.

Some Members Thought that Accused Supervising Principal Should Have More Time in Which to Make His Defense—Cardozo Pleads Not Guilty to the Charge of

### Disloyalty.

Heated differences in the board of education prevented a conclusion of the trial of Francis L. Cardozo, colored, supervising principal of the Thirteenth division, public schools, which was held by the board Wednesday afternoon at the Franklin. After hearing testimony concerning Cardozo's alleged disloyalty for four hours, the board agreed upon an evening session, but because of the absence of three of its members was obliged to adjourn until Saturday at noon.

The library of the Franklin School was crowded with spectators when, a little after 2 P. M., the trial began. On one side of the long table were ranged the nine members of the board of education, while facing them sat Cardozo, the respondent, who was accompanied, as provided in section 10 of the school act, by his counsel, Henry E. Davis, and one friend, Attorney James A. Cobb.

Assistant District Attorney Stuart McNamara, counsel to the board of education, conducted the case for the board. Dr. William E. Chancellor, superintendent of public instruction, the star witness for the board, was seated at one end of the table.

The charges read by Secretary Connor included "conduct unbecoming a supervising principal," "disloyalty, insubordination, refusal to co-operate with the superintendent, and the authorship of an anonymous letter, sent to the Washington Times. Rules 22, 29, 60, and 62 of the rules and by-laws of the board of education were named as having been violated.

### Cardozo Pleads Not Guilty.

Cardozo pleaded not guilty, after asking that the charges be dismissed on the ground that the Congressional act providing for the appointment of the board of education by the judges of the Supreme Court of the District was unconstitutional and void, because it undertakes to vest in a branch of the judiciary the appointment of officers executive in their character. This objection being overruled, counsel asked that the charges be dismissed on the ground that they are vague and insufficient in either law or fact. This objection also was overruled.

Secretary Connor testified that Cardozo took the oath of office September 11, 1906. Allen D. Albert, Jr., an editorial writer on the Washington Times, who received the anonymous letter reflecting upon Assistant Supt. W. S. Montgomery and certain colored teachers, alleged to have been written by Cardozo, testified that the letter was left upon his desk by some person to him unknown, and that after reading it, he sent from a sense of duty the same day to Superintendent Chancellor. Mr. Albert was unable to fix the date of the receipt of the letter, further than to say that he thought it was some time during the latter part of September or the first of October.

### Authorship of Article.

Mr. Davis produced an article from the Times of Friday, August 31, asking if it was written under his supervision. "It was not," replied Mr. Albert. Mr. Albert, questioned, said the article had been written by a reporter.

Mr. Davis attempted to prove that the article in question was the one referred to in the anonymous letter, and that the reference in the letter could not mean any other article. Mr. Albert replied that he had not associated the reference in the letter with the article in question. He testified that he sent the letter to Dr. Chancellor from a sense of duty.

Supt. Chancellor, the next witness, testified that he received the anonymous letter during the month of September. Within an hour after its receipt he sent for Dr. Montgomery, assistant superintendent of schools and asked him if he knew who wrote it. Within the next two weeks he made an investigation, at the end of which he sent for Cardozo and asked him if he knew who wrote it. Cardozo replied that he did not.

Dr. Chancellor testified that at that time he had received several communications from Cardozo and that he had been struck by the characteristic peculiarities of the handwriting. The same peculiarities appeared in the anonymous letter. Dr. Chancellor asserted that at a meeting between himself and the accused supervisor, about the middle of October, Cardozo admitted that he held the views expressed, and said that they were also held by a number of the colored people.

### Cardozo Very Critical.

Cardozo at this time characterized Dr. Montgomery as "a ruin" to the colored schools and admitted the startling resemblance between his own handwriting and that of the letter. Cardozo, said Dr. Chancellor, was a candidate for assistant superintendent of colored schools.

"Then he told you in open frankness that he held those views?" persisted Mr. Davis.

"No, sir; he did not," replied Dr. Chancellor. "At our first meeting he denied that he held them. Later he voluntarily said that he had told an untruth and that he did hold the views."

Winfield Scott Montgomery, colored, assistant superintendent of colored schools, testified that he was "morally certain and satisfied" that the handwriting in the anonymous letter was that of Cardozo, with which he was familiar. He also testified that the condition of the schools at that time was one of "general unrest," and described the state of mind of the teachers as "panicky."

### Testify as to Handwriting.

William V. Conner and R. O. Wilmarth, of the office force at the Franklin, testified that the handwriting of the letter resembled that of Cardozo. Harry C. Wilson, assistant treasurer of the Union Trust Company, testified that he had had experience in identifying handwriting, and that he thought the writing in the letter was that of Cardozo.

Rosa Belle Stokes, colored, a teacher in the Lincoln School, testified that she was familiar with the handwriting of Cardozo, having helped him to do clerical work for some months, and that she thought the handwriting in the anonymous letter was his.

Dr. Chancellor, recalled, testified that he had not issued any orders to Cardozo between the time when the letter passed in the letter coincided with his own and the time, one day later, when Cardozo was dismissed by the board. The superintendent said he thought, from the language of Cardozo, that he intended insubordination and rebellion against the authority of Dr. Montgomery.

Dr. Chancellor denied that he had accused man: "Do you suppose for one moment I would make a judgment against Cardozo before October 16, or that he said to me at that time that I don't believe you wrote that letter?" He admitted that he had asked Cardozo, October 2, whether he would resign or be dismissed. He again asserted that Cardozo's references to Montgomery amounted to defiance.

### Differences Among Board.

Heated differences arose when it became a question of adjournment. The majority of the members were insistent that the case should be continued at 7:30 o'clock. To this Mr. Davis objected vehemently, asserting that he had been told by President Baird that no night sessions would be held, and that he was unprepared to go on with the trial. In this he was supported by Mrs. Mussey, who said that she would not attend if the respondent were given only an hour and a half to prepare.

Capt. Oyster, who said that he had made the greatest sacrifice to be present, and that he could not give further time to the case, and Mrs. Terrell, who said she was obliged to go to New York on a lecturing tour, insisted that the trial should go on. Much feeling was manifested by Mr. Davis and members of the board.

When the case was continued at 7:30 o'clock, three members, Mrs. Mussey, O. M. Atwood and J. F. Cook, the two latter colored, were absent and further consideration of the case was therefore postponed until Saturday at noon.

Tom Murphy, through his manager, has put up \$10,000 to fight Kid Herman or any other lightweight in the game.

The ladies of Philadelphia have banded together to visit police stations and reason with young girls arrested for first offenses with a view of trying to save them from ruin.

## PARAGRAPHIC NEWS

BY MISS BEATRIZ L. CHASE.

To say that Hon. J. B. Foraker is a firm believer in constitutional rights and liberty and a staunch defender of the Constitution is stating the truth. But we do not believe that he is at all influenced by the complexion of the skin. His sympathies are with the oppressed. If the men are Negroes then the women are Negroesses.

Is it a fact that because Mr. Joe Gans is a pugilist he is not entitled to be spoken of as "Mr." even in the social circle? Does he cease to be a gentleman because he makes his mark by his muscle? The greater the number of honors the bigger the "Mr." should be.

We welcome "The Flag of Peace," which made its first appearance the 12th instant.

Rev. Wm. H. Decker, who died quite recently, was the oldest minister of the A. M. E. Zion Church in the United States.

It is the wish of the many friends of Mr. G. E. Hayes that he will soon be well and out.

Mr. Thomas Brooks of Washington rendered a solo at the birthday reception of Mr. Geo. W. Adams at the home of the latter, 336 W. 59th street, New York.

The Republican Club of New York City entertained Mr. Gans at a smoker last Saturday evening at 138 W. 53rd street. Mr. Peter Hogan and company assisted.

Mrs. Harriette T. Spriggs, nee Smith, born in Maryland and who was the first teacher appointed to teach in the county was buried from her son's residence in Philadelphia.

The notice of the death of W. W. Taylor, editor of the Utah Plaindealer, who died January 11, 1907, at his home in Salt Lake City, is announced.

The sad news of the death of Joshua Burnett, who died in this city the 14th instant, was delivered to his brother, R. W. Burnett at Denver, Col., last week.

The first prize at a recent oratorical contest at the De Pauw University, of Richmond, Ind., was won by Samuel Taylor, a colored boy of Indianapolis, Ind. He will also represent that institution in the State contest, which is to be held next month.

Hon. William T. Vernon, the first full-blooded negro who has ever held the position of Register of the United States Treasury, spoke to a large crowd of people who met at the Fifth Street Baptist Church at Louisville, Ky., celebrating the emancipation of the slaves in America.

Dorcas Harris of Palo Pinto County, Texas, died not long ago at the age of 129 years.

In the "Race Notes" of the "Mosaic Guide," which number eight, five notes contain the word Negro.

The Palestine Plaindealer says that the future of the Negro was never brighter than now.

Hobson City, Ga., is said to be one of the exclusive "Negro" towns in the South. It has its mayor, policemen and entire city government, which is composed of not "Negroes" but dark-skinned citizens.

One of the papers says that "Princeton, N. C., is another town exclusively ruled by Negroes with its colored postmaster, mayor, policemen and entire city government." It appears that the inhabitants of Princeton are "Negroes," but the officials are colored.

The Board of supervisors have decided that men known as Negroes must be placed on the

Mrs. M. C. Terrell is booked for a lecture in Bethel M. E. Church, Charleston, S. C., January 30th.

Mr. L. E. Johnson expects to remain in this city three months and his wife, who came with him, may visit relatives and friends in Cleveland during the three months.

Mr. Edward A. Shankling, editor of the Colored World, is also conducting a lucrative real estate business in Columbus, Ohio.

We understand that Mrs. Norton of this city, has been generously aiding a church in Louisville, Ky., by paying the pastor's salary. The parish is now about self-supporting.

Some people are anxious to have mixed schools and there are others who do not like to worship in their own church if the pastor in charge is dark.

Judging from the expressions of many exchanges the belief is that we have no institutions in Washington which look after the training of our women. We have many more than are patronized.

There is so much union among the ministers of the dark-skinned churches of this city, that Baptist meet to themselves and the Methodist do the same. Union is their cry.

READ THE BEE.



## MONUMENT TO HENRIK IBSEN.

Obelisk of Black Labrador Rock Erected on Grave.

Christiania, Norway.—On a peaceful spot in Our Savior's churchyard at Christiania the remains of Henrik Ibsen were returned to the earth on June 1, 1906—a day of sunshine and showers, full of light and shade like his own poetry. His grave, in the midst of what looks like a sea of grass, is inaccessible as he was himself in life, but in the birches above, the birds fly in and out by summer-time, and in winter the leafless branches bow under the weight of the snow.

A few days ago Dr. Sigurd Ibsen, the poet's son, in honor of his father, has raised the worthy monument.



Obelisk Over Ibsen's Grave.

(al) a picture of which is here shown. The grave is entirely covered by a stone, which bears the name of Henrik Ibsen, and the date of his birth and his death.

The monument is fashioned from black Labrador rock, and cost about \$10,000. The hammer of Thor is outlined on the obelisk, and at its base is a laurel wreath, fashioned in copper, which was presented by the Italian Authors' club. Ibsen died May 23, 1906, aged 78.

## NEW SHAH OF PERSIA.

Mohammed Ali Mirza Now in Charge of Affairs.

London.—Mohammed Ali Mirza, who, because of the death of Shah Muzaffer-ed-din, has taken control of Persian state affairs, is the eldest son of the shah, and is 32 years of age. He was proclaimed crown prince in 1896, and until recently was the governor of the province of Azerbaijan, the military resources and strength of which he has greatly increased. During the absence of the shah from Persia, Mohammed Ali Mirza has acted as regent, and has made himself popular in the Persian capital. He is thoroughly familiar with Arabic literature, speaks French fluently, and is said to have a fair



MOHAMMED ALI MIRZA. (Who Has Succeeded Muzaffer-ed-din as Shah of Persia.)

grasp of modern science. On his mother's side he is the grandson of Mohammed Shah, who was the third occupant of the Persian throne under the present Kajar dynasty, which was inaugurated in 1794.

Tired of Being Called Colonel. John W. Yerkes, Internal revenue commissioner, is a Kentuckian and proud of it, but he vigorously objects to being called colonel, as has come to be somewhat of a habit in Washington. It is hardly to be wondered at that he should come in for a title in a city where almost any man of any position has some kind of a handle to his name—general, admiral, colonel, captain, Mr. Secretary, Mr. Doorkeeper, or what not. One day Mr. Yerkes was sitting in his office chatting with some members of congress when Admiral Watson came in. "Hullo, John, how are you?" said the sailor. The commissioner leaped from his chair and rushed forward to greet him. "Admiral," he cried, "I could just hug you for calling me that. Please do it again. I'm so dead sick and tired of being called colonel that my given name is music to my ears."

Hobby of Secretary Straus. Secretary Straus is one of the recognized connoisseurs in the United States of pottery and porcelain. For many years he has studied this fine old art, now so generally fallen into disuse. He has collected some of the finest specimens extant and many of these he will soon install in his Washington residence. Mrs. Straus is equally addicted to the fad, and it is said that one of the rarest pleasures they have in common is the purchasing of old pottery and porcelain.

## THE NEGRO DEVELOPMENT AND EXPOSITION COMPANY

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Pursuant to an Act of the Congress of the United States of America, there will be held a Naval and Land Exposition in commemoration of the Three Hundredth Anniversary of the landing of the first English-speaking people in this country, at Jamestown, Virginia commencing on the 26th day of April, 1907, and ending on the 1st day of November, 1907.

That in order for the colored people of this country to show their achievements since their emancipation, it was deemed wise, by the leaders of the race, to hold a separate and distinct exhibit in order to put upon exhibition the marvelous progress they have made mechanically, agriculturally, educationally, and financially; that the world may see and judge for itself the capacity of the Negro as a race; his ability as a producer.

The Negro Development and Exposition Company of the United States of America, a company duly chartered under the laws of Virginia, with an authorized capital stock of \$800,000, proposes to show at the Exposition what the race has made, produced, woven, carved, engraved, invented, written and published; in fact, everything the race has done or accomplished, from an industrial point of view, that the world may form a correct and more favorable opinion of the Negro race of this country; to the end that a proper solution of the problem may be had from a business, commercial, financial, and industrial point of view.

It has, therefore, been decided to ask every member of our race to list for exhibition any and every article made by any member of the race. It is the desire of the Company to have a complete exhibit of every character, except live stock.

Our women are noted for embroidery and handsome trimmings, knitting, weaving, and hundreds of other domestic productions; while our men are noted for their skill in drawing, carving, inventing, welding, and putting together articles of value too numerous to name; all such articles and hundreds of others are solicited for exhibition. Implements of every character are much desired.

There will be given a first, a second, and a third prize on the various articles produced and exhibited by members of the race.

The Congress of the United States has appropriated \$100,000 to aid the said Negro Development and Exposition Company in making a creditable exhibit at the said Jamestown Exposition.

Now, in order to list the articles for exhibition, it is requested by the Company for all persons who have articles for exhibition, to write the names of said articles on the coupon below, giving the full name of the owner, his or her residence, together with P. O. address. In every instance, please write plainly, that the articles may be listed so as to be sent for in time to be placed on exhibition.

It is incumbent upon every member of the race to see to it that this Exposition is made a success; as the world has its eyes upon us and expects great results.

GILES B. JACKSON, Director-General.

528 East Broad St., Richmond, Va.

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Value of Article .....

## REST FOR THE WEARY

"SILENCE ROOM" OPENED BY BOSTON METAPHYSICAL CLUB.

Place Where One May Have Beautiful Thoughts—Tired Society Women Assured of Real Comfort.

Boston.—A room "in which one may sit in silence and absorb sweet thoughts and partake of the uplifting and harmonizing influence of intelligent auto-suggestion" has been opened by the Metropolitan club in Huntington Chambers, through the work of Henry Wood of Cambridge, one of the founders of the organization and one of the leading students of psychotherapeutic law and metaphysics in the state.

The power of suggestion, it is declared, is greatly augmented in this room by the aid, through the eye, of graphic golden texts with appropriate symbolism. When one is in this room one is supposed to put one's self in a passive attitude toward these.

Everyone is welcome, but only four may enter this sanctum of beautiful thought at one time. These are some of the merits claimed:

The treatment is good for nervous prostration, insomnia and chronic troubles.

It also will awaken latent souls.

Here pastors seeking inspiration for weighty sermons retreat.

Society women tired of the brainless social whirl find sweet peace and comfort.

The mentally weary and physically ill find rest and relaxation.

On the pinions appear the texts, some of which are: "Love never faileth," "Thy faith hath made thee whole," "I absorb the good," "I am strong in the Lord," "I am full of faith," "I love peace," "I rule the body," "I am

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harmony," "Fear not," "Truth lives," "Love God and all humanity," "The body is a temple," "Love thinketh no evil," "Heal the sick," "Thought is formative," "I am happy," "Demand brings supply."

A statement issued by the Metaphysical club states regarding these texts:

"When merely read under ordinary conditions the effect is superficial and soon fades away. But when mentally photographed through the passive exposure of sensitive consciousness they take on a living reality."

The four chairs face a wall on which, on a blue background and framed in dark wood, appears the symbol of ancient times of the perfected soul.

It is a round globe, and from each side stretches out broad pinions of shades of violet. The whole may be shut off from view by draperies of royal purple velvet.

Above the symbol are these words in gold: "God is here and every where. In him we live and move and have our being." On the pinions are other texts.

## Annual Christmas Announcement

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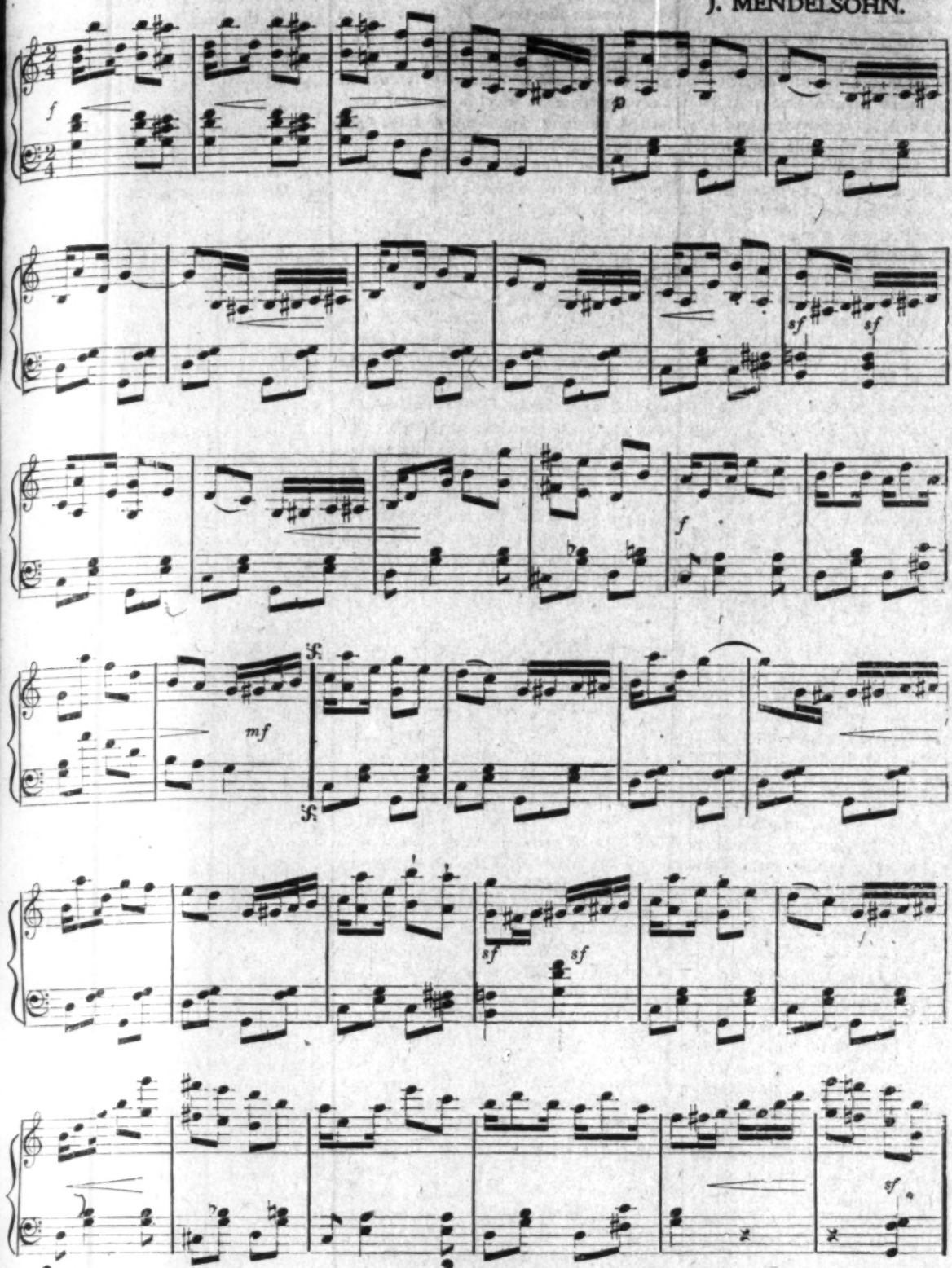


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## WOODES AND WEDS IN A DAY.

Colorado Man Makes Woman Wife Short Time After Meeting Her.

Denver.—To meet a woman for the first time, to woo, win, and wed her, all within 24 hours, would be a feat for the most attractive Adonis, yet that is what William E. Buel, a well known ranchman from Yuma, Colo., successfully accomplished on crutches.

Buel started for Denver a few days ago, driving in from his ranch to the station. Buel's horse ran away and he was thrown out and injured, but he secured crutches and continued his journey to Denver.

In the afternoon he called on Mrs. Cora Brewer, an old friend, and there met Mrs. Anna Stumke. A rapid fire courtship ensued, and the following morning the couple were married by Magistrate Thomas Carlson.

But there may be breakers ahead for the two, who started on a honeymoon trip about the state, if Frederick D. Stumke makes objection to the wedding. In securing the marriage license Mrs. Stumke admitted that she had been divorced, but she gave the date as January, 1905.

But it was not in January, 1905, but on April 14, 1906, that Mrs. Stumke was granted a divorce from Frederick Stumke and was allowed \$400 permanent alimony. The decree, in accordance with the Colorado divorce laws, provided that neither party should marry within a year.

The law is binding only as to Colorado, and does not operate to hinder persons from going into another state and marrying as soon as they wish, but it provides a penalty for remarriage within the state if the other party to the divorce cares to prosecute the charges.

As Buel hobbled out on his crutches with his bride on his arm, however, he gave no sign of fear that his wife's former husband might interrupt the honeymoon.

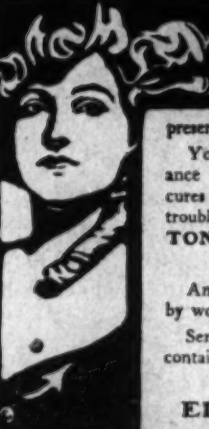
## AS TO THE AMERICAN COW.

Value of Products Presents Figures That Stagger Humanity.

New York.—There are nearly 25,000 dairy cows in America and enough other cattle to make a total of over 60,000,000 head, including bulls, oxen, young stock and the "flocks and herds which range the valley free," and all condemned to slaughter. There are less than a million thoroughbred cattle in the country and more than 450,000,000 scrubs. The rest are half or higher grades. About 20,000,000 calves are born annually. The average value of a cow is \$22. In Rhode Island, a dairying state, the average is \$39.

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## SAVING LOSS OF LETTERS.

Suggestion of Value Made by Assistant Postmaster General.

Washington.—More than 11,000,000 pieces of mail went astray in these United States last year because they were not directed even well enough for the experts to decipher the names and addresses.

Millions of this immense total went to the dead letter office, where a lot of it was opened, the addressees of the writers ascertained, and the letters of packages returned. But in a good many cases the writer's address is never found and the letter is really dead when neither the sender nor the prospective receiver can be discovered.

Assistant Postmaster General De Graw wants to get people into the habit of writing their own addresses on the outside of envelopes. This, he says, would save trouble for all hands, as the letter, if defective in address, could be returned at once to the writer. This simple precaution would save many a piece of mail from an early death and burial in the dead letter office.

## HAS JOHN PAUL JONES' SWORD.

Relic of Famous Fighter Placed in Navy Department Library.

Washington.—In practically the same condition as when it was used by its famous owner, the sword of John Paul Jones now rests in the library of the navy department, where it has been placed by Commander Reginald Nicholson.

It is believed that the weapon originally was given to Jones by the North Carolina family of that name at the time he changed his own name in compliment to them.

The sword was given to Jones by Theodosia Burr, daughter of Aaron Burr. Theodosia Burr, after she was married to Joseph Alston, a wealthy planter of South Carolina, who in later years became governor of the state, presented the sword to Judge Matthew Davis, of Charleston, who gave it to the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, of Philadelphia, and he gave it to Commodore Sumnerville Nicholson, and the commodore gave it to its present owner, Commander Nicholson.

It is 30 inches long, beautiful in design, very strong, highly tempered and still very mild. The hilt is of white brass with the portion known technically as the basket broken away. The tang is wide and strong and the grip piece of the handle is of wood covered with twisted copper wire.

## Hicks Star of "Freak" Show.

Bakersfield, Cal.—Miner Hicks, whose sudden rise to notoriety through his entombment for 15 days made him the object of many show offers, has been engaged by N. J. Schmidt of Berkeley at a salary of \$500 per week for one year. The first exhibition was given in Bakersville. Harry Linville, prominent in the rescue work, was engaged to act as lecturer, and two of the miners also were taken along.

## HIS HAIR UNCUT 23 YEARS.

Eccentric German Lived Alone and Cleared Ranch Without Horses.

Hunters, Wash.—Hans Kohlen, an eccentric character in Stevens county, has sold his fine ranch, four miles west of Fruitland, and will re-enter civilization after being almost a recluse for 23 years. All this time he has been a bachelor, and almost a hermit. He cleared his farm, built a house and fenced the land absolutely without assistance.

Kohlen never owned a team, carrying logs and rails on his back for long distances, while at work on his place. During 23 years Kohlen never cut or combed his hair. For many years Kohlen's bed has been a big dry goods box, half filled with hay. Daily at sundown he drew on a gunnysack, buried himself in the hay and slept comfortably.

S. Davis purchased the ranch for \$2,500. With the proceeds of the sale Kohlen proposes to return to his native home in Germany.

## FEAT OF A ONE-ARMED MAN.

He Builds a Two-Story House Without Outside Help.

London.—Quite a pretentious two-story house stands at Rochester, England, as a monument to the industry of a one-armed man named Simpson, who is connected with the British postal service. The man has for many years been employed on one of the rural routes and as his time is not wholly taken up at his labor he spends a large part of each day at work on a farm which he owns and operates. Having a few spare minutes left each day, the thought occurred to him to build a residence for himself. He gave the matter some thought and finally drew the plans, which were submitted to the local authorities and duly approved by them.

He commenced the work of foundation laying and for ten years he gave the project what time he had after attending to his other duties and at the end of this period the house was complete in every particular. The interior woodwork was all in place and the walls and ceilings properly decorated and all of this was done by the one-armed Handy-Andy during his spare time. The cart in which the bricks and lumber were hauled was also constructed by the remarkable workman. In the rearing of this building all work was done by his hands, or rather his hand.

Mr. Simpson's arm was shot off by the accidental discharge of a gun when he was a lad of 12 years, but notwithstanding this handicap he has more to show for his industry and perseverance than most persons with the usual number of arms.

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## DEMOCRATIC DIPLOMACY.

The Democratic party will go to the country in 1908 with the enforcement of the unconstitutional act of the President of the United States. That the defeat of the Blackburn amendment and the adoption of a Republican compromised resolution demonstrates the weakness of our American Senate. If the President of the United States has committed an unconstitutional act he should be impeached.

Suppose the Republican party is split? Is it not better that the party splits upholding the Constitution than it would be to have a party united to indorse an unconstitutional act? If the President has committed an unconstitutional act, why should he be indorsed? If he has violated the Constitution in the dismissal of the colored troops from the army, are there not enough patriotic Republicans in the Senate to tell him so and to pass a measure that will give the innocent relief? In this fight the Republicans must show their hands. They must either say that the President is right or that he is wrong. If he is wrong and is determined to defy the Senate, party or no party, the Constitution should be upheld. What good is the Constitution if the President of the United States is permitted to violate it? The diplomatic act of the Senate Democrats will no doubt cost the Republican party thousands of votes in 1908.

Senator Blackburn, by his diplomatic resolution, forced the issue. It is not so much love that he has for the President as it is to force the Republicans to uphold an unconstitutional act or to denounce the violation of the Constitution. During the solemn ceremonies a Miss

That the Brownsville affair will be investigated there is no doubt. But just what the outcome will be The Bee is in doubt. The Bee does not lose faith in Senator Foraker. The distinguished Senator from Ohio is honest. He is anxious to have this affair investigated at any cost. If the President is innocent of any violation of the Constitution he would say to his friends in the Senate, "Do all in your power to pass the Foraker resolution." He would demand an investigation of this alleged riot at Brownsville. He would not set himself up as prosecutor, judge and jury. He would do all in his power to vindicate the innocent and punish the guilty. He would not punish innocent men because the guilty could not be discovered. No American citizen is safe so long as he is President. There is more prejudice and discrimination against the colored Americans than existed under both administrations of ex-President Cleveland. The colored Americans stood some chance of being protected then, but they stand none now. Mr. Cleveland treated Democratic colored men with respect. He stood by Negro Democrats, notwithstanding their guilt. Although in the Brownsville case we don't ask protection for the guilty. We want the guilty

punished, if they have committed any offense not justifiable from the facts. The two Democratic administrations of Mr. Cleveland protected colored clerks in every department of the Government. There were no "Jim Crow" corners, and in only one department was there any flagrant discrimination, and that was in the Bureau of Engraving under Claude M. Johnson, who was then the chief. Even under his administration he had no separate washrooms for white and colored employees, as they have now under this so-called Republican administration. There never was a fairer man in existence than Public Printer Benedict. He promoted colored men and appointed colored men who had ability. Although a Democrat, he knew no man by the color of his skin. The present Administration is intoxicated with prejudice and discrimination. In every department colored employees are put in one room. What can the Negro hope? What may he expect? The colored employees in many of the Government departments find the Democrats their best friends. The Bee in this connection mentions especially Commissioner Henry L. West, of our local government, who has demonstrated his friendship, kindness and liberality for the colored Americans. The Bee and the people in this city have the highest respect for him.

It is not the Democratic party or the Democrats the colored Americans must fear, but men who claim to be Republicans and administrations under the guise of being Republican.

If it were not for such men as Tillman, Vardaman and the like the Democratic party would succeed. But so long as these men are permitted to belch forth rotten invectives the Democratic party is doomed.

There is a great deal of diplomacy in the Democratic party which will cause Republicans to lose many of their votes.

## THE LILY WHITES.

Senator Foraker in the United States Senate battling against race discrimination, while a certain class of female negroes in this city are endeavoring to organize a lily white social club. The Bee has witnessed many organizations, and it knows that in former years a class of interlopers came to the city and organized a Lotus Club, whose purpose was social discrimination; but the recent organization of a lily white social club is the boldest act that has ever been attempted in the social circle. It is claimed that the club is composed of several bright colored women who have been in the habit of meeting white men after dark. Several invitations were sent to several young ladies, who promptly declined to accept them. The only requisite to become a member of this new social combination is that you must be bright. Character or reputation cut no figure whatever. Your hair may be kinky; that cuts no figure. You need not be even a reformed prostitute.

When Negro women of Washington came to the conclusion that they want to be known among the white people as some other nationality. The Bee is of the opinion that it is time for the friends of the race to cease helping them. The question of color among certain Negroes is doing the race harm. It makes no difference how white a Negro makes himself, it has no effect upon the white people.

The experience that the Editor of The Bee has had, is not to go where he is not wanted. This lily white social club may enroll every lily white in the city, but it will have no effect upon the white people. Nothing is any more distasteful to them than bastardy. The Bee is informed that the colored women who are organizing this club are known as the "good time" women. This class of females is dangerous in any community. They are on the order of sporting women. Every once in a while a social distemper breaks out among either the men or the women. They come to the conclusion that it is

nice to be white. The Bee knows the names of at least four or five lily white Negroes in the Government Departments who have endeavored to convince the people that they are white. Three of these are from Mississippi. Two of them married white men, and the others spend their entire month's salary with white men to keep in their company. These five Negroes received their appointments by virtue of being Negroes, under a Republican Administration. All of them came from the South. Two from South Carolina and three from Mississippi. There is also another Negro in the department who has endeavored to pass off as a Spaniard. His mother was too black for him to recognize. Before this individual went into the Government service he was a waiter on a steamboat.

Every lily white organization that has ever started in this city has been composed of interlopers and encouraged by a class of quasi sporting females. A similar organization was started in this city two years ago, but The Bee exposed it, and it died a natural death. Thus far there are about twenty who have signified their intention of joining. The constitution and by-laws of the lily white social club are unique. The preamble reads as follows:

## PREAMBLE

We the social elite of Washington, to have a better understanding and to be select in all social functions, do hereby form and promulgate this constitution and by-laws for the government of our club

## CONSTITUTION

1. The name of this club shall be The Lily White Social Club of Washington

2. One hundred members shall constitute the organization

3. Only bright colored people shall be eligible to membership

4. Charcoal blacks, chestnut browns, Chinese or Japanese yellow are not eligible to membership.

## BY-LAWS

Initiation fee, one dollar. Weekly dues, twenty-five cents. The first social function of this new organization will take place in March. Special mention of it will appear in the columns of The Bee. Look out for it

## SENATOR TILLMAN.

The Senator from South Carolina is not so bad after all. There are worse men in the Senate than the Democratic Senator from South Carolina.

Mr. Tillman tells us that he disfranchises the colored voters in his State, but he has nothing but colored servants, while the so-called advocates of human rights will not permit colored servants in their houses. There are lots of shams in the Senate.

The lily whites is the latest.

If Ben Tillman should go to the White House what would happen?

The Horizon has risen above the clouds. Something beats nothing.

The colored Republicans are but hewers of wood and drawers of water.

The Editor of the Conservator knows how to deal with a joke. He and Editor ought to kiss and shake.

The House and Senate are Republican, and yet not a negro policeman is appointed on the force.

The colored Republicans of the State of Pennsylvania, especially of Philadelphia, received a clerkship out of the reform movement.

The colored Republicans of Chicago got a judgeship and lost it. White Republicans are as prejudiced as Democrats; and to some extent more so.

The Cardozo investigation will come to a close now. What the result will be no one but the Board knows. If he is guilty he should be dismissed.

## IT NEEDED POSTAGE.

From the New York Clipper.

Nick Parker, known to the concert audience public as the Golden Voice tenor, whose attractive vocal work is frequently heard in the interests of New York music publishers, was the victim of a practical joke a week or two ago, and he annoyance and trouble it caused him still rankles.

He received printed notice from the post office of a Connecticut city where he had been singing during the previous week, that some mail matter addressed to him awaited extra postage, and that when it was forwarded the mail would be sent to New York.

Parker, thinking that of course it was some delayed Christmas package, hastened to remit the desired postage, then waited impatiently for the delivery of the package.

It finally arrived, proving to be the half of a stiffly starched, but soiled shirt bosom, which had been torn from where it once belonged. On one side was his address, while on the reverse was written a message plainly showing the incident to be a practical joke. Imagine a post card of that size.

## LUCKY THIRTEEN.

From the Chicago Conservator.

Mrs. N. Lockley, formerly of Washington, D. C., was the fortunate holder of number 13, which won the silk quilt raffled at the holiday sale December 20 at Mrs. S. C. Hart's, 3162 Armour avenue.

## "HAS'N'T DONE."

From the Inquirer, Texas.

Our pugacious friend, D. R. Wilkins of the Chicago Conservator, is still at his favorite pastime, fighting windmills and Booker T. Washington. The Tuskegee sage hasn't done something for Wilkins that the Conservator man wants done, for hardly anything but deeply dyed personal reasons would account for Wilkins' furious tirade. Lay on Macduff.

## DISCRIMINATION.

From Collier's Weekly.

Discriminating against the Negro seems to be a game at which others besides Tillman, Vardaman and the "Jim Crow" railroads can play. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a worthy rival to Senator's Dryden's philanthropic organization in Newark for providing a poor widow with the means to bury her husband, issued an order to its agents to accept no Negro risks after the first of the year. Too many die to make the business profitable. At the same time, Mr. Jim Jeffries, champion, announces that he will never meet Mr. Jack Johnson, a husky colored gentleman who yearns to wear the title, in the prize ring. Mr. Jeffries says tersely that he will defend his honors against any white man for a purse of \$50,000. He doesn't fear Mr. Johnson—not at all—only "no gentleman would fight a nigger." Students of history, however, are recalling that only eight years ago, a year before he became champion by beating Mr. Bob Fitzsimmons, the Odysseus of the squared circle, Mr. Jeffries fought Mr. Bob Armstrong, a colored pugilist. The champion is finicky. Our sympathy goes out to Mr. Jack Johnson. If we recall correctly the testimony brought out when President Hegeman's company was under the Insurance Committee's probe, the prospective colored policy-holder in the Metropolitan lost less by his exclusion than Mr. Johnson is deprived of. Even Collier's has been accused of hypocritical discrimination, by no less an authority than the newspaper which is known to fame as the inciter of the Atlanta riots. The "News" in this instance has the excuse that one of our branch managers issued instructions to his agents in language which was capable of misinterpretation. Our salesmen are told to treat Negroes as they treat with every kind of being—on business principles solely. Anybody can get the inestimable benefit of reading this paper by paying cash. Credit is a question solely of experience and of fact—whether the subscribers are likely to deserve credit. The over-enthusiastic agent of ours has been told that credit is to be given to colored ministers, teachers, professional men, and others whom experience shows to be safe risks, so to speak. For the less responsible there is always the resource of cash, and the race in it struggles (pace the Atlanta "News") is not to be deprived of the vast help of reading this illuminating sheet.

Sir B. F. Moss, president of the Deputy Supreme Chancellors' Council, installed Knight C. J. Coles as K. of R. and S.

The Deputy Supreme Chancellors' Council met at Sir C. E. Staple's January 19, with Sir B. F. Moss, president, presiding. After reading the minutes by Sir C. E. Staple, secretary, Sir W. C. Brown was called upon and spoke of the advancement of our order in the District as well as our unconditional success throughout our supreme jurisdiction with Supreme Chancellor S. W. Starks as our matchless leader.

Brigadier General Walker Prince also spoke of the excellent condition of the order and the wonderful success we are making. On motion by Sir W. H. Johnson, seconded by Sir John S. Johnson, General Walker Prince, Sir W. C. Brown and Sir A. J. Williams became members of the Council. After attending to other important business, the Council adjourned to meet on the 26th inst.

Marion Lodge No. 6, K. of P., met in its regular convention in the castle hall on 22nd inst. Sir W. C. Brown was invited by the C. C. to preside over the lodge.

The applications of A. H. Daily and S. D. Cooper were considered and referred to the investigating committee. Knights Robert Williams an Howard Handy made applications to be certified for the U. R.

The following officers were installed by Sir B. F. Moss for the ensuing term: J. A. Bostie, C. C.; T. H. Thompson, V. C.; Max Saunders, Pre.; E. W. Barker, M. of E.; T. A. Jeter, M. of F.; Jno. C. Bostie, K. of R. and S.; Emanuel Pierce, M. at A.; F. D. McCracken, O. G.; R. W. Williams, I. G.

Visitors present—Sir W. C. Brown and H. E. Grimes, Brigadier General Walker, Prince and Sir B. F. Moss, president of the D. S. C. Council.

in 1908 and no doubt this is the cause of the action taken at Williamston last Monday.

James W. Poe of this city, formerly a member of the legislature of that State, was elected president of the State organization, although he was not in the State at the time. He has received the following letter notifying him of his election, urging him to accept the position and to call a State Conference at an early date to elect a general committee, meaning one member from each county in the State:

Williamston, N. C., Jan. 22, 1907.  
Hon. James W. Poe,  
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:—

It gives me great pleasure to notify you that at a large meeting of colored citizens representing several counties of our State, a State organization was formed to be known as the State Central Colored Citizens' Association, to take a more general heed to the civil and political privileges of our people in the future and to favor and support the best men for public office in the future. You were elected president and I was elected secretary-treasurer. We hope that you will accept the honor conferred on you by citizens of your State, who know your fearless stand for the best interest of your race and the people generally. I was directed also to request you to call a State Conference at as early a day as possible to elect a general committee. Let me hear from you soon.

Very respectfully yours,

A. W. Rodgers,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Poe has not reached any decision as to what he will do in the matter. In due time he will make some reply to the organization which has elected him as its president. He has not been in the State since last year and he may visit the State before reaching a conclusion. He had planned a trip to the State early in the Spring in the interest of church and mission work. He may now go much sooner. He has no statements to make at present concerning his election as president of a political organization. The smallness of the Republican vote in North Carolina last year when the colored people did not vote because ignored by the white element of the Republican party, shows the great strength of the colored vote in that State.

Charles Sumner Lodge No. 4, Knights of Pythias, met in its castle hall on Pennsylvania avenue between 17th and 18th streets on the 16th inst., with Sir H. E. Grimes, C. C., presiding.

On motion of Benj. F. Johnson of Excelsior Lodge No. 9 (defunct) was balloted for and elected to become a member of the lodge.

Syracuse Lodge No. 5, Knights of Pythias, met in its Castle Hall the 17th inst. After the routine of business, C. B. Ware was initiated in the rank of page.

Sir B. F. Moss, president of the Deputy Supreme Chancellors' Council, installed Knight C. J. Coles as K. of R. and S.

The Deputy Supreme Chancellors' Council met at Sir C. E. Staple's January 19, with Sir B. F. Moss, president, presiding. After reading the minutes by Sir C. E. Staple, secretary, Sir W. C. Brown was called upon and spoke of the advancement of our order in the District as well as our unconditional success throughout our supreme jurisdiction with Supreme Chancellor S. W. Starks as our matchless leader.

Brigadier General Walker Prince also spoke of the excellent condition of the order and the wonderful success we are making. On motion by Sir W. H. Johnson, seconded by Sir John S. Johnson, General Walker Prince, Sir W. C. Brown and Sir A. J. Williams became members of the Council. After attending to other important business, the Council adjourned to meet on the 26th inst.

Marion Lodge No. 6, K. of P., met in its regular convention in the castle hall on 22nd inst. Sir W. C. Brown was invited by the C. C. to preside over the lodge.

The applications of A. H. Daily and S. D. Cooper were considered and referred to the investigating committee. Knights Robert Williams an Howard Handy made applications to be certified for the U. R.

The following officers were installed by Sir B. F. Moss for the ensuing term: J. A. Bostie, C. C.; T. H. Thompson, V. C.; Max Saunders, Pre.; E. W. Barker, M. of E.; T. A. Jeter, M. of F.; Jno. C. Bostie, K. of R. and S.; Emanuel Pierce, M. at A.; F. D. McCracken, O. G.; R. W. Williams, I. G.

Visitors present—Sir W. C. Brown and H. E. Grimes, Brigadier General Walker, Prince and Sir B. F. Moss, president of the D. S. C. Council.

WILLIAM T. WATSON CALLED TO HIS REWARD.

A Leading and Respected Citizen—Death Was Unexpected—Buried Under Masonic Rites.

From the Wisconsin Weekly Defender. The funeral of William T. Watson, one of the best known citizens, was held from his residence, 836 Racine street, on Tuesday, January 8, at 2 P. M.

Mr. Watson died at 3:15 A. M. Saturday, January 5, after an illness of

only two weeks' duration. He was first stricken with an attack of pleurisy, later developing peritonitis, followed by typhoid pneumonia. Notwithstanding all that money and science could do, the Grim Reaper claimed him.

Mr. Watson was born in Milwaukee and at the time he was taken ill was in the time he was taken ill was in the employ of the Wisconsin Central Railway company, and had been in its employ for many years.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Carrie Watson, formerly Miss Carrie Syphax of Washington, D. C., his mother, Mrs. Watson of Tenth street, two sisters, Mrs. A. V. Raimy, 62 Tenth street and Mrs. Gilbert Whitman of Franklin street, and a large number of other relatives.

The funeral, which was largely attended, was held under the supervision of Widow's Son Lodge, No. 25, A. F. and A. M. of which deceased was a member and in which he held the position of treasurer.

The floral offerings were magnificent and came from many parts of the country.

A large number of relatives and friends from distant cities attended the funeral, among whom were Mr. Curtis Syphax and Miss Syphax, sister-in-law and brother-in-law of the deceased from Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Aven-dorph, Mr. Russell Bryan, Mr. Isaac Bryan, Mr. Meade, Mrs. Meade, Mrs. Georgie Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, all of Chicago, Ill.

## PLEA OF THE INNOCENT.

An awful deed has been done With one stroke of action, A terrible wrong has been wrought And there is no retraction; A part of a battalion brave "Good citizens" did rout? The whole is guilty with the part And must be mustered out.

Mustered out dishonorably, Mustered out 'thout cause, No power behind this iron throne To this czar act give pause; Since that that black crew you are part Whose feelings had no tether, I'll teach you Southern justice, sirs, By classing you together. O President! O can it be! That within yourself you feel You are giving to the innocent What you have termed "square deal"? Men are included in your writ Whose terms were nearly through, Their country served with honor, sir, Think, what would Jesus do?

O mighty wielder now enthroned, Your power is of what scope? Can we tell what you'll do next? Don't shut the "door of hope"; In spreading justice out so broad With "muck rake" trying to teach, Don't blot a good man's entire life Because he failed to peach.

Jesse Merchant, Ph.G.  
Columbus, Ohio.

## REV. SYLVESTER L. CORROTHERS.

Rev. Sylvester L. Corrothers, pastor Galbraith A. M. E. Zion Church is a minister and politician. He led the fight about three years ago in connection with Rev. O. J. Scott in the convention of the National Suffrage League in behalf of President Roosevelt. Rev. Corrothers and Rev. Scott declared that they went to the White House and held a conference with the President, who wanted the indorsement of the League. These two distinguished divines so informed the convention, which had no effect. Rev. Walter H. Brooks, Attorney Thomas L. Jones and others made a better fight against the adoption of a Roosevelt resolution. Revs. Corrothers, Wallace, Scott and a few others bolted the convention. The Bee a few weeks ago found Rev. Corrothers denouncing the President and threatening to bolt the Republican party because the President dismissed the colored soldiers. January first The Bee is informed by Rev. Corrothers himself that he called at the White House in company with his two sons paying respects to the man whom he had just prior to that time condemned. The Bee would like to know where he stands. The Bee finds Rev. Corrothers now at the head of a so-called citizens committee protesting against certain dismissed teachers. He asserts that he is not so much interested in the dismissed teachers as he is in the principle of the thing. Just what he means no doubt he will explain. This alleged citizens' committee consists of four men who represent no one. This so-called committee does not represent the people and it has no authority from the people.

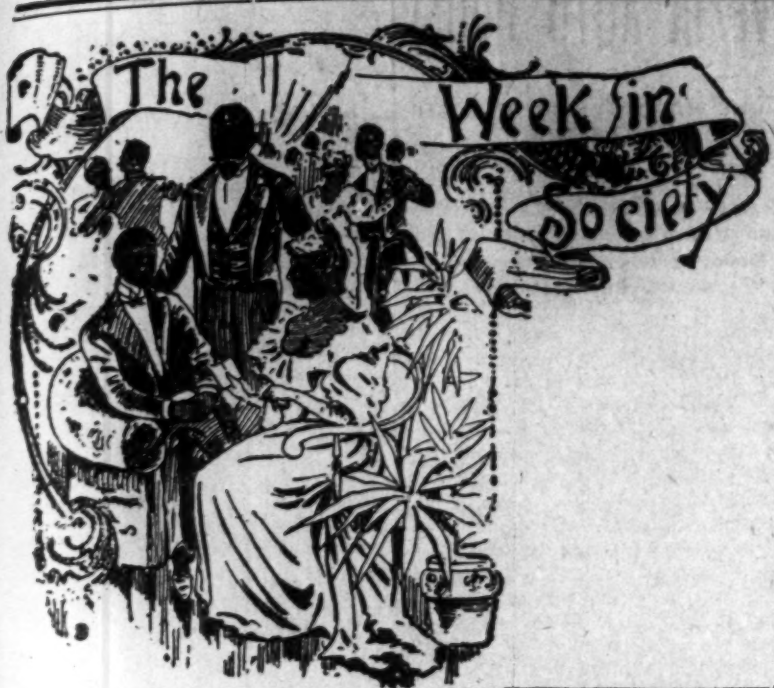
The new trial board as appointed by Major Sylvester consists of Inspector J. A. Swindell, Capt. H. B. Elliott and Lt. W. F. Flavey.

Last week, at the National A. C. at Philadelphia, a testimonial benefit was given to Terry McGovern, ex-champion. Joe Gans and Young Corbett had several rounds; \$850 was netted. (This is one of the reasons that the white brother gets along so well.)

Jimmy Britt and Joe Gans will fight at Tonopah, Nev., March 17, 1907, for \$25,000.

Lt. E. D. Peck, Engineer Corps, is the tallest man in the U. S. A.





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Dr. Phil Broome Brooks of 3rd street S. W., has been dangerously ill. Mrs. M. E. Washington of Proctor, Va., is visiting her relatives, Mr. and Maxfield of 1229 1st street, N. W. Mr. Mitchell of the Theological Department of Howard University, who has been quite sick, is now convalescent. Mrs. Beard, one of Pittsburgh's noted sacred song soloists, will visit the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Daisy Beard.

Rev. James H. Lee, pastor of the Third Baptist Church, was unable to fill his pulpit Sunday on account of sickness.

The many friends of Miss Mabel Mason, who has visited Cuba, are glad to hear of her entire recovery.

Miss Marie Jordan, one of our teachers, is able to assume her duties again. Mr. Albert Smith of the Treasury Department is working hard to make the Laborers' Social Club soiree of that Department a success.

Mrs. Clara Benson, wife of Thomas H. Benson, has been dangerously ill at their home, 431 New York avenue, N. W.

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family of the late Dr. Stevens of Anacostia, D. C.

Dr. E. D. Scott of Washington, D. C., is very much improved. Walter B. Saylman, M.D., of Atlantic City, has resumed his practice again after a much needed rest. The brother physicians will give him and Dr. Scott of Washington, D. C., a banquet this week, an account of which will be in next week's issue of the paper.

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday evening, January 16, 1907, when Miss Lillian Stewart was married to Mr. Louis F. Bush, at the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. J. W. Stewart, 1615 4th street, N. W. The bride was attired in white silk with real lace, and the bridal veil was held with a wreath of orange blossoms, and carried a prayer book, the gift of the groom. Promptly at 8 o'clock the bridal party entered the parlor through the dining room to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march by Mr. John Lee. Rev. M. W. Clair of Asbury M. C. Church, officiated. The presents were many and costly, among them being a handsome hand-painted lamp from the bride's sister, Mrs. Mary Oalbert of Eastern Pennsylvania and a Marcelline spread from Miss Grace Stewart of Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Bush are at home, 57 1/2 Hanover street, N. W., where they have a beautifully furnished flat.

Rev. Davenport of Union Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church will deliver the oration at the 10th anniversary of the death of the late J. C. Price of Ligonston, N. C. Rev. Davenport is one of the most eloquent speakers in the Zion connection.

Mr. John C. Needon, and Editor J. C. Asbury of Philadelphia, Pa., were in the city this week.

Mr. Joseph H. Douglass and wife are still in the city.

Mr. Jack Ryan was called to Atlanta, by the illness of his father. While in Atlanta Mr. Ryan stopped with Mr. and Mrs. Henry White, 230 Fort street.

Mrs. A. Richardson and daughter arrived in town some days ago from Newport, R. I.

Miss Julia Syphax has returned to the city from Milwaukee.

Mr. M. S. White has returned to his home, Pensacola, Fla., after a pleasant visit to this city.

Mr. C. H. Alston, who spent a few days here, has returned to his home in Florida.

Miss Clara Wood, a resident of this city, was the guest of honor at a reception given by Mr. Albert E. Dee and his wife at their residence, 327 West 3rd street, New York City.

Mrs. C. Vine has gone to visit her sister, Mrs. R. C. Plummer, in New York. She was accompanied by her two children.

Johnson of Maryland, and Past Grand Masters J. McHenry Jones and E. H. Morris found it impossible to be present after having informed the committee that they would be. Don't fail to get copies of The Bee next week containing cuts and report of the Houston banquet.

#### THE MEETING OF ST. LUKES.

On Friday evening, January 18, 1907, there was an enthusiastic meeting of the officers of the I. O. of St. Luke, of the District held in True Reformers' Hall.

The meeting had been called by the R. W. G. Secretary and District Deputy, Mr. R. R. Horner.

There are twenty-five Councils in the District of Columbia, and notwithstanding all the officers were not present, there was a large assembly.

Mr. Horner presided and eloquent speeches were made by Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, R. W. G. Secretary, Lawyer Jas. H. Hayes, the attorney of the organization, Dr. Jas. T. Walker, who will be the presiding officer at the annual session of the St. Luke organization in Richmond next August, and Mr. Horner.

Plans are being formulated for opening a St. Luke Savings Bank in this city, and the indications are that such an undertaking will meet the hearty co-operation of the people here.

This organization is doing much good in various ways, and we predict for its success in many places where its banner has been planted.

Mrs. Walker is untiring in her efforts and strives to render entire satisfaction to all who are in any way interested in the St. Lukes.

The announcement has been made that Mrs. Walker will deliver an address before the Bethel Literary Society, Tuesday evening, January 29. The very name of the secretary was sufficient to guarantee a large audience and what Mrs. Walker will say will be to the point and worth hearing.

The readers of The Bee will be more than compensated by attending the lecture at the Literary.

#### GIFT TO TUSKEGEE.

The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute is to receive \$50,000 for its endowment fund for three friends in Brooklyn, N. Y., who have just given out this information.

#### THE TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. J. Anderson Taylor did not preach last Sunday on account of sickness. There was a large membership out to both morning and evening services. Deacon Cook, formerly one of the strongest members in Shiloh, is now connected with Trinity. Arrangements are being made to give several social functions in connection with the church shortly. The several clubs have been organized and they are now in working order. Miss Clarice Jones is now the organist at the church and is doing well. The new choir is on the increase and very shortly will number twenty-five. The new leader is increasing his choir weekly.

Mr. Cyrus Sinclair, the leading butcher in Cambridge, Maryland, is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peters of Eleventh street, N. W. Mr. Sinclair came to the city to attend the sessions of Congress during the Brownsville, Texas, debate. He is a thorough business man as well as a race representative. He also has one of the largest business places at Ocean City. He will leave the city today for his home. The services at Trinity Church last Sabbath as largely attended.

#### ETTA MOSES STEWART.

Last Saturday the remains of Etta Moses Stewart, widow of Daniel Stewart, formerly a well-known business man of West Washington, were buried from St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church in Fifteenth street northwest. Mrs. Stewart was a native of this city, formerly teacher in the public schools of this District, and at the time of her death was conducting a very successful fancy-grocery business in Twenty-third street, northwest, between L and M streets. On Tuesday of last week it appears that deceased was enjoying ordinary health, and was seen shopping at Kann's during that afternoon. Upon her return to her residence she seems to have "reeled" and fell, occasioned presumably from an attack of paralysis of the brain, immediately becoming unconscious and remaining in this condition until death relieved her sufferings.

A sister, Mrs. Luc Costin, and two half-brothers—Dr. Clifton A. Johnson of Milwaukee, Wis., and Eustice B. Johnson of this District—survive her.

#### DR. ALBERT H. STEVENS.

The Nineteenth Street Baptist Church was crowded to overflowing last Sunday, consequent upon the attendance at the funeral of Dr. Albert H. Stevens, an employee of the Pension Office, who was both well and favorably known in this city. Deceased was formerly from Mississippi, having been born in Winston county of that State, and came to this city in 1890 to accept official position under the Government. Upon his advent here he immediately associated himself with the church from which he was buried, proving himself efficient, useful and energetic in Church work.

He served acceptably as chairman of the Trustee Board, as superintendent of the Sunday School, and in other position in the church. He was a man of wide influence in this community, judging from the marked respect shown to his remains.

The funeral ceremonies were under the immediate supervision of Eureka Lodge of F. and A. Masons, to which deceased belonged. He was an active member of the several Masonic branches; also of the several branches of Odd Fellows, having served acceptably as an officer in a majority of them. Deceased was Past High Priest of St. John's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Past Eminent Commander of Henderson Commandery, Knights Templar; Past Master of Eureka Lodge, F. and A. Masons; Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; and also ex-Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows. All of these organizations attended the funeral in a body. The religious services were conducted by Dr. Walter H. Brooks, who preached the sermon, and assisted in by Drs. Howard, Matthews and Clair.

The Past Masters' Council of Odd Fellows, St. John's Commandery, and Eureka Lodge of Masons performed appropriate services within the church. Julia Tibbs, who was assisting in the choir, suddenly fainted, caused presumably by the overcrowded condition of the church, and had to be removed therefrom, causing some temporary excitement. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery.

#### ITEMS ON THE WING.

The Legislature of Alabama has, through a bill presented by Representative Thompson, started an examination into the affairs of Tuskegee School, of which Prof. B. T. Washington is the principal, in order to see how the affairs are being conducted, etc.

The white people of Seabright, N. J., have threatened to burn out Geo. Curtis because he sold Edward Clark, colored a lot. The village is a white settlement. There is much excitement.

The P. O. Dept. will issue one cent stamps in book form like the two cent stamps that are now issued.

At the communication of the Eureka Grand Lodge of Masons for the D. C. held on the 18th of January, the Ill. W. C.-Chase was by unanimous vote selected as the legal attorney of the craft and The Bee reindorsed as the official organ. The principal officers are M. W. H. Cox, 33, Grand Master; H. Frazer, 33, Grand Secretary.

A mass meeting of colored citizens will be held at Faneuil Hall, Boston for the purpose of raising funds for the defense of the discharged colored soldiers, January 22, in the event of the Senate passing the Foraker investigation order.

The probability is that the Democratic party will try Mr. Bryan once more. Mr. Bryan is becoming wiser as he grows older.

There are 16 vacancies of Cardinals. His holiness the Pope will convene the consistory soon to take action on the same.

The U. S. Census Bureau is about to collect statistics of the churches in the U. S.

The oldest tombstone in America is located at the St. Paul P. E. Church, Norfolk, Va. It dates from March 8, 1687-8.

It appears like some dissatisfaction has been made over Mr. Cortelyou naming his successor as the chairman of the Republican National Committee. This country is gradually merging to a monarchy, so we can't be surprised.)

An English physician points out that doctors are sometimes blamed for the death of patients under chloroform, when the catastrophe is due entirely to the parents or friends, who ignore the strict orders not to give any food before the operation, and by administering milk, eggs, or orange, or chocolates "to fortify him for the operation," bring on fatal complications.

Maxfield Barber of Eureka Springs, Arkansas, is over 100 years old. He drinks plenty of whiskey and trusts in the Lord.

Prof. Star of the University of Chicago has returned from his trip to Africa. He says that the cakewalk did not originate in America, but on the Congo River. The wild natives have all the cakewalk festivities, but the cake.

Litson Jasu, grandson of King Menelik, has been declared heir to the throne of Abyssinia.

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#### DR. SHEPPARD'S TRIP.

Durham, N. C., Jan. 19, 1907.

Editor Bee:

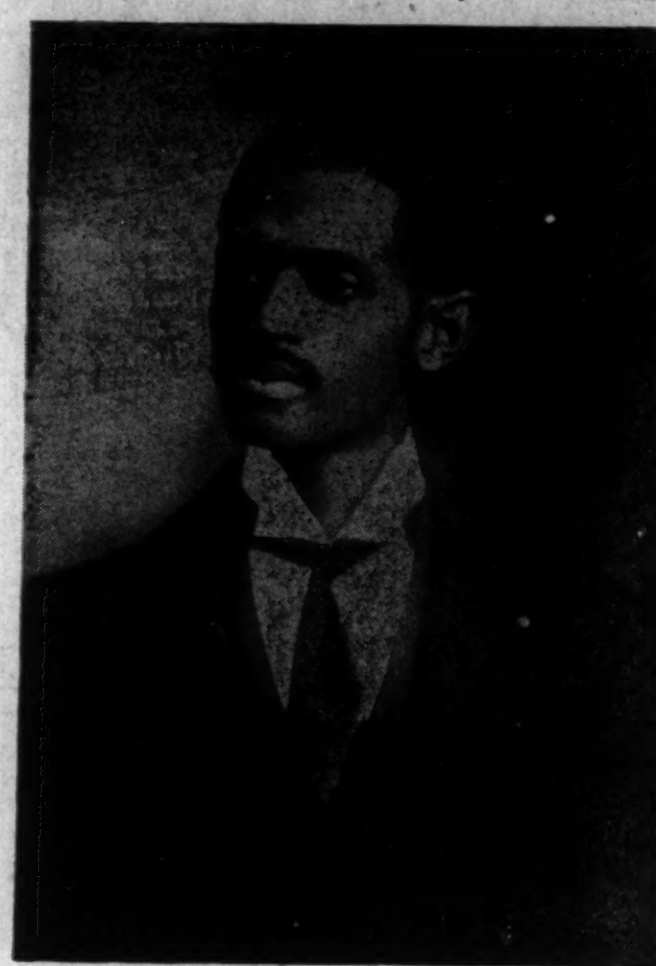
On February 28th I leave Durham for New York, where on March 2d I sail for Europe and places in the Orient.

This trip has been made possible by the kind assistance and future help of friends, which I now gratefully acknowledge. Especial credit must be given to Mr. E. K. Warren, president of the World's Sunday School Convention, Mr. W. N. Hartshorn, Chairman International Executive Committee, Mr. Marion Laurance, General Secretary, and that public-spirited citizen of the South, Gen. Julian S. Carr, together with the kind co-operation of the entire Executive Committee of the International

Yours sincerely,

James E. Shepard.  
ITINERARY OF DR. JAMES E. SHEPARD AND PROF. R. B. McRARY.

Feb. 28, leave Durham; March 2 leave by S. S. Etruria; March 9 arrive Liverpool and proceed to Glasgow; March 10 at Glasgow; March 11 to Edinburgh; March 12 at Edinburgh, P. M. to London; March 12-15 at London; March 16 to Paris; March 17-19 at Paris; March 20 leave for Lucerne; March 21 at Lucerne; March 22 continue to Milan; March 23 at Milan and leave for Venice; March 24-25 at Venice; March 26 leave for Florence; March 27 at Florence; March 28 leave for Naples; March 29 leave for Alexandria, S. S.



I feel the need of a change as for four years I have not taken any rest, then again the information gained will be used for the benefit of my people. I shall study especially the moral, religious and social life of the people abroad and the lessons gained try to utilize them for practical benefit. Such a trip, while granting much pleasure and inspiration, also entails much sacrifice.

I desire that you pray that the trip will be a blessing to all concerned and that I return safely to America. My traveling companion will be Prof. R. B. McRary, of Lexington, N. C., who has kindly consented to accompany me.

I am glad to say that the Sunday School work among the Negroes in the South was never in better condition than it is today. The State Secretaries are more encouraged and plans for future work are being carefully systematized.

The Secretaries are also loyal and conscientious, and the work will not suffer during my enforced absence. It would be a pleasure to hear from you before Sunday School Association, otherwise he trip would have taken in no ways possible.

This tour is undertaken first, for the personal help it will be to me, physically saving.

Praying that God may bless and prosper you and that the "Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent from another," I am,

Hohenzollern; April 1 due Alexandria and Cairo; April 1-3 at Cairo; April 4 leave for Assuan; April 5-7 at Assuan; April 8 leave for Luxor; April 9-11 at Luxor; April 12 leave for Cairo; April 13 at Cairo; April 14 leave for Port Said and Jaffa; April 15 arrive Jaffa and commence eight-day Palestine tour; April 22 leave for Beyrout; April 23 arrive at Beyrout and commence six day tour in Syria; April 28 leave for Haifa; April 29 arrive Haifa and commence eight day tour of Galilee; May 5 leave for Alexandria; May 8 arrive Alexandria and leave for Athens; May 11 arrive Athens; May 11-13 at Athens; May 14 leave Patras and embark; May 15 call at Corfu; May 16 arrive Brindisi and Naples; May 17 proceed to Rome; May 20 leave Naples; June 1 call Gibraltar; June 12 arrive New York.

Should you desire to communicate with us while abroad, letters mailed prior to March 15 can be sent: Cairo, Egypt, care of Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son. Letters mailed after 15th and before 28th can be sent either to Alexandria, Egypt, or Athens, Greece. Letters mailed prior to April 10 should be sent to Naples, Italy. In every case put care Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, Tourist Agents. Letters, if mailed in ample time, say 20 or 25 days, would reach us at any place named on the itinerary, sent as directed above.

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## IS BACK FROM JUNGLE

PROF. STARR, ANTHROPOLOGIST, RETURNS TO CHICAGO.

His Researches in Africa Shed New Light on Pygmies—"Cat's Cradle," Played by American Boys, Known to Natives.

Chicago.—Prof. Frederick Starr, who holds the chair of anthropology at the University of Chicago, has returned after spending 15 months among the pygmies in the heart of Africa, and traveling altogether approximately 45,000 miles.

This trip, by far the longest ever negotiated by a university professor engaged in scientific research, was begun in September, 1905, when he left Chicago for the Congo valley, accompanied by Manuel Gonzales, a young Mexican whom he adopted some years ago.

Eighteen different peoples were visited in the 25,000-mile journey up and down the Congo Free State. The anthropologist would visit a tribe, live with or near the natives, study them carefully, take photographs, gather relics, and then repeat the process with a neighboring nation. His interest was centered particularly in the pygmy races and their customs.

"When I left this country," said the professor, "I expected to have to provide canoes and provisions for much of the journey. I was, however, agreeably surprised to find on reaching the Congo that steamboats were plying many of the rivers. This made the journey easier in many respects."

"You had a number of narrow escapes and thrilling adventures, did you not?" the anthropologist inquired or was asked.

"No, my trip was much 'tamer' than most people would expect," he replied. "I really experienced no 'hairbreadth escapes' at all."

"A white man can cross Africa unmolested, if he will mind his own



PROF. FREDERICK STARR. (Expert Anthropologist Who Went to Africa to Study Pygmies.)

business, and not interfere with the natives through whose country he passes. It is true that many of the Congo tribes are fierce and warlike, but they will not harm inoffensive travelers who do not make themselves obnoxious and who treat them kindly. They seem rather to be interested in settling their feuds with the tribes about them. The white man will be left alone if he does not travel conspicuously armed and does not interfere with the natural order of things as the natives think they should be.

"An interpreter went with us on all our journey, so we had no trouble with the natives."

More than 700 photographs were taken by the professor and his adopted son. The huge collection of relics of his long journey, which required 124 large boxes, will be installed in the anthropological section of the Walker museum at the university, which is already well filled with wonders and curiosities from Prof. Starr's former journeys.

The pygmies, says Prof. Starr, generally are found near the upland sources of the larger rivers. He traveled up the Congo, the Sankuri, the Batuli, the Kassai, the Armuri and the Oikru rivers as far as the boats could go.

"The pygmies," he continued, "range in height from three to four and a half feet, averaging about four feet. They are not, as many people suppose, an agricultural people, but get their living chiefly by hunting. Not all the tribes in a region are pygmies. We often usually found a small tribe of pygmies living near a tribe of larger men."

"I studied the pygmies along the Kafai and Batua rivers," he said, "where they grow smaller than anywhere else. There they average only three feet ten inches, the extreme height which they reach being four feet and one or two inches. But the most interesting thing which I saw was the most simple. It was just a game of 'cat's cradle.' I saw the natives playing what looked like that child's game just after I reached the Congo, and, of course, I was interested and drew near to find out if it was really 'cat's cradle.' I found that it was, and I spent more time investigating the game and its origin than I did on the pygmies. I found out that the natives of the Congo Free State play over 100 different forms of the game, a most remarkable thing to me."

## TO HONOR "BOB" INGERSOLL

Model of Statue to Be Erected at Peoria, Ill., Completed.

Peoria, Ill.—A model of the statue of the late Colonel Ingersoll, ordered by the Ingersoll Monument association of this city, has been completed in the clay. It will be ready for casting in a New York foundry early this spring, and will be ready for unveiling in Glen Oak Park on the anniversary of his death, July 21, 1907.



Model of Ingersoll Statue.

The statue, as shown, is of "heroic" size, that is, one-third larger than life. It will be cast in bronze. The clay model from which the photograph was taken has just been completed by the sculptor in his studio.

The position chosen shows Colonel Ingersoll standing erect in an easy natural pose, dressed in ordinary everyday clothing. The hands are carelessly and naturally placed on either hip, one of Colonel Ingersoll's most characteristic attitudes and one which he unconsciously assumed as he became more and more interested in the topic he was discussing, either in court or on the lecture platform. Throughout the handling, ease, unstrained effect, and lifelikeness.

Frederick E. Triebe, of New York, is the sculptor. He was born in Peoria, and during his residence was well acquainted with Colonel Ingersoll. He is a graduate of the Royal Academy, Florence, Italy, and a professor in the San Luca Royal Academy, Rome, Italy.

## MILL RUN BY WELL WATER.

It Gushes From the Earth to a Height of Twenty Feet.

Atlanta, Ga.—Near St. Augustine, Fla., is a planing mill run by a water wheel. The water comes from an artesian well. The owner of the mill, knowing that the country thereabouts was underlaid with water at high pressure, sank a hole 400 feet deep and tapped the subterranean stream. An eight-inch pipe was sunk 130 feet to the top of the rock strata—the drill



Mill Wheel Turned by Water from a Well.

hole through this serving the purpose of a pipe—and a stream of water spouted 22 feet above the ground level.

A wheel of 18 feet in diameter having been rigged, the pipe was continued to a level of 18 feet, a sluice was erected to carry the water from the mouth of the pipe to the top of the wheel and 15 maximum horsepower was developed. At quitting time the turning off of the water shuts off the power and by a twist of a screw it is turned on again in the morning, bubbling and gurgling and ready to turn the wheel and run the mill without a cent of cost.

## Richly Deserves Tribute.

A start was recently made toward doing something to keep the memory of "Adirondack" Murray, preacher, author and lecturer and a notable apostle of the simple life in the open air. His incursions 40 odd years ago into what was then the wild region of the Adirondacks did more to bring that great tract into public notice and public use than anything said or done about it before or since.

## One Thousandth Anniversary.

A pageant will be held at Ramsey, England, on June 18, 19 and 20 next in honor of the one thousandth anniversary of the founding of Ramsey Abbey by King Edward the Elder.

## LATEST CHICAGO SEER

"DANIEL II." REVEALS IDENTITY TO SMALL BAND.

Says Lake Will Wipe City Out—Declares Earth Was Thrown Off Its Balance at Time of Crucifixion.

Chicago.—A new prophet has arisen in Chicago to seize the throne vacated by John Alexander Dowle. The latest reincarnation of the seers of old is "Daniel II.," better known to the outside world as Dr. William Daniel Gentry, a former State street physician. The new prophet revealed his identity to a band of 23 souls at Central Mission hall on Clark street.

The people of Chicago need worry themselves no longer over the project of a deep waterway from the lakes to the gulf, proclaimeth the prophet who is a strictly up-to-date seer. In a very short time the earth is going to take a little jump of a couple of hundred miles, as a result of which the deep waterway and many other improvements in the terrestrial globe will be accomplished immediately.

As a matter of fact, it is hardly worth while for the citizens of Chicago to bother themselves about anything at all, for they and their city will soon be resting quietly under 50 feet of water, and the ships of the nations of the earth will sail quietly over the Masonic temple. So saith the prophet.

In the orthodox manner prescribed by immemorial tradition, the gift of prophecy and the revelation of his identity with the hero of the lions' den came upon the unsuspecting Daniel like a flash. For nine years he had abandoned the practice of medicine to take up the more lucrative business of faith healing and the casting out of unclean spirits, for this purpose traveling all over the continent.

While passing near Hamilton, Ont., recently he fell into a deep trance, he declares. Before his eyes stretched a great valley. At the same time his sight attained a remarkable perspicuity and he gazed with eagle glance over the entire continent of North America, and saw the world as it had been in the days of the cave men, before even the Indian had seen the prairies.

Simultaneously the seer heard a voice proclaim in his ear that he was Daniel reincarnated to proclaim the great truth to the world. Awakening, Dr. Gentry hastened back to Chicago and summoned his followers.

In his glimpse of the world as it used to be Daniel discovered that the deep waterway from the lakes to the gulf indeed had been once an established fact and he set immediately about to discover how the change had come about. Naturally he turned first to the book which he had written in those far-distant times when he had witnessed to the truth before the king of Babylon and there he found the secret revealed.

According to the prophet the earth was thrown off its balance at the time of the crucifixion and in the 19 centuries which have elapsed it has been wandering on its misguided way, accumulating snow and ice, formerly unknown, and incidentally disrupting the internal navigation system of North America. As a conclusive proof of his statement Dr. Gentry points to the fact that the magnetic pole is several hundred miles from the north pole and also that investigation has proved that the polar regions formerly were within the tropical zone.

This state of things is all going to be altered very shortly, he says, but the manner in which the change will occur promises small comfort to Americans. The new prophet essentially is a man of wrath and his prophecies teem with denunciations and calamities.

When the change comes, he says, Lake Erie will disappear and Lake Michigan will arise and sweep Chicago out of existence. At the same time all the cities of the Atlantic coast will be inundated, he says. In order to avoid any unfairness in his distribution of calamities Daniel II. has provided earthquakes for the destruction of all the great cities of the interior and with disregard for figures, declares that "incalculable billions of people will be destroyed."

Unlike Dowle, Dr. Gentry has no intention of building a new Zion. Those who believe in him, he claims, will be caught up out of the general devastation and conveyed to Jerusalem. He apparently is not concerned about what will happen in the rest of the world apart from North America and Palestine.

## To Make Engagements Public.

Topeka, Kan.—State Senator Smith will introduce a bill in the Kansas legislature providing that all marriage engagements must be published in local papers and churches at least 30 days before the wedding ceremony is to be performed. Mr. Smith claims such a law would tend to prevent divorces, unhappy marriages and declares it is a highly satisfactory rule in several European countries.

## Jake Mogg's Performance.

Humboldt, Ia.—Jake Mogg, of Audubon, Ia., has beaten the record for dry chicken picking. At Humboldt, just before the holidays, Mogg killed and picked 302 chickens in nine and one-half hours. The feat was accomplished with perfect ease, and Mogg is now considered the world's champion chicken picker.

## PREACHES BRAND NEW RELIGION

New Yorker Plans to Establish Comrade Kingdom on Earth.

New York.—John Augustus Wall has promulgated the newest of new religions. Mr. Wall formerly lived in Valley Stream, L. I. His new religion was launched at the Berkeley lyceum amid the applause of 100 enthusiasts.

To prove that his religion is really brand new Mr. Wall sent forth a circular calling the meeting in which the names of Jesus and Moses, Mohammed and Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln, Roosevelt and Emerson, Edwin Markham and Elbert Hubbard, Ella Wheeler Wilcox and Darwin, Huxley and Paine, Ingersoll and Bryan, Hughes, Hearst and Brisbane are coupled. The circular reads in part:

"Do you believe in Moses, Jesus, Mohammed, et al. (as above stated)? Are you an atheist, infidel, moralist, spiritualist, Jew, Christian, or ethical culturist?"

"Are you living in a secluded furnished room, a palace, a tenement, or a brown stone residence?"

"Are you married, single, young or old, rich or poor?"

"Do you believe in the new thought, Christian Science, or just the old way that mother and father taught?"

Mr. Wall explained to his audience that the church is to be known as the National church, and that through it he hopes to establish a comrade kingdom.

A branch of the church will be established in every assembly district. Among things the new prophet hopes to accomplish is the establishment of department stores, hotels, bowling alleys, laundries, insurance companies, and skating rinks in connection with each branch.

## POPE RECEIVES COSTLY BOOK.

Volume Literally of Gold and Studded With Diamonds.

Paris.—The costliest volume in the world—literally a golden book—has been received by the pope as an offering from the republic of Brazil, in gratitude to his holiness for having given the first South American cardinal to Brazil. This wonderful book is made entirely of Brazilian gold, encrusted with diamonds and other gems. On the cover appears the monogram of Pius X., formed of emeralds and diamonds, and the arms of Brazil, with Latin mottoes.

The first page bears the papal arms and a miniature bust of Pius X. Ninety diamonds of the first water surround these, with a large brilliant above, representing the sun, shedding its rays made by tiny diamonds, upon the pope's head.

The book contains a map of Brazil, in which the various states are marked by gems of different colors, and a huge blue diamond of eight carats stands for Rio de Janeiro, the federal capital.

Dr. Calvacanti d'Albuquerque, a nephew of the new Brazilian cardinal, designed this gorgeous album, which was subscribed for by the members of the old faith in Brazil.

## 2,160 PERISH BY VIOLENCE.

New York Reports a Remarkable Year of Accident and Crime.

New York.—The report of the board of coroners for 1906, just published, shows a remarkable year of accident and crime. In all there were 5,890 deaths reported to the coroner's office, of which 2,160 were by violence. For Manhattan alone, and excluding the casualties reported in New Jersey, Long Island City and Brooklyn, the tunnel work caused 68 deaths. There were 549 felonious assaults causing death. Surface cars caused 97 deaths, elevated train 14 and tunnel trains 17. Automobiles killed 24 people in Manhattan during the year.

The 398 suicides were brought about as follows: By shooting, 110; by throat-cutting, 21; by poison, 51; by gas, 124; by hanging, 27; by jumping from windows of roofs, 27; by jumping in front of trains, 4, and 34 by drowning.

The total number of deaths by casualties, including falls, explosions, collapse of buildings, premature blasts, falling of rock, timber and stone were 684. Alcoholism caused the death of 115 persons.

## Blind Man Becomes an Inventor.

Iowa Falls, Ia.—Charles Abbott, the blind piano tuner of this city, has turned inventor, and is exhibiting the working model of a heat regulator for a chicken incubator on which he has applied for patent. The regulator gives the alarm when the heat in the incubator becomes too high or too low. The regulator is set for 103 degrees, and when the heat varies a few degrees above or below this mark the regulator rises or falls, and breaking a circuit, rings an electric bell until the owner regulates the heat to the proper temperature. Mr. Abbott has been blind all his life.

## Eat Sand for Dyspepsia.

West Chester, Pa.—A number of people in this place who are suffering with stomach trouble have taken to "the sand cure," and are taking it every day. The sand comes from Mississippi and is packed in bags containing a couple of quarts. It is taken in doses of a spoonful, and as often as the patient has an attack of the trouble. "When any animal has an attack of stomach trouble," argues a patient, "it goes at once to the ground for some clay or sand for a cure, and why should not a man?"

## LIVE IN AUTO HOUSE

UNIQUE MOTOR HOME OF A CHICAGO COUPLE.

Contains Parlor, Bedroom and Kitchen and Has All Conveniences of a Modern Hotel, With Exception of Running Water.

Chicago.—The only auto house in the world is in Chicago. It is, as its name implies, a self-propelling residence, equipped with living quarters, wheels and a gasoline engine.

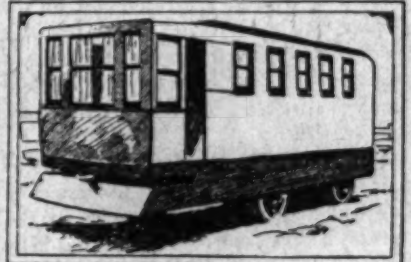
The auto house has a parlor, bedroom, kitchen, a hot water heating system and a gasoline range, along with all the other comforts of home. It is propelled by a three-cylinder gasoline motor, set in motion by levers, so that all the owner has to do when he is tired of one set of scenery, climate or neighborhood, is to place himself in an easy chair in his parlor, turn on a lever and start for pastures new.

The inventor, builder, proprietor and resident of the motor home is a Chicagoan bearing the illustrious name of George Washington. He is 65 years old, and, having no family beyond his wife, his automobile residence furnishes him ample room in which to live, and his wife, being of simple tastes, declares herself entirely satisfied with it.

In appearance the auto house resembles in a manner a shortened freight car, except that it has 37 windows, which furnish abundant light. The outside of the house is covered with galvanized steel, painted white. The interior is finished in Georgia pine.

The house as it stands is 27½ feet long and six feet wide. The frame is of oak throughout, including timbers, sides, floor and roof, held together by heavy bolts.

There are three doors to the house, the main entrance in the rear, and two smaller doors on either side of the front parlor. On the inside a partition separates the house into two



The Automobile House.

apartments, with a doorway, but no door between. Ventilation is obtained by an arrangement like that of a street car, and there is besides a flue ventilator in the roof. The numerous windows are framed by dainty white curtains. The front room contains a folding bed, which can be easily stowed away. A sewing machine gives a homelike touch to this room.

The steps in the rear lead into a vestibule, lined on one side with pantry shelves and on the other by cupboards for the storage of tools and other utensils. The vestibule leads into the kitchen, which occupies the entire rear apartment. Here is a gasoline range, with all the necessary implements, a table and chairs and a miniature furnace with a reservoir above, which furnishes hot water for the system of pipes running the entire length of the house, thus guaranteeing uniform heat. Pipes and furnace were constructed by Mr. Washington's own hands. Practically all available space along the walls is lined with cupboards containing a complete equipment of household implements and tools.

In the front of the house are the levers for setting the home in motion. These are three in number. Their mechanism was worked out by the proprietor. One is for starting, another for steering and a third for regulating the speed, all being manipulated from a comfortable easy chair.

A three-cylinder gasoline engine, weighing a ton, furnishes the motive power.

It will be seen that the construction of this novelty in the shape of a self-moving home must have required infinite pains, an immense amount of time and not a small amount of money. Mr. Washington says he built it partly because the fancy struck him, partly because he needed it in his business. He was living in his own house eight years ago when he first conceived the idea of the auto house. He began building it before he had ever seen an automobile. He worked on his idea at odd hours during the entire period of eight years, at the same time attending to his regular trade, which is that of a machinist and contractor. He has patented a cover for a belt pulley, the sale of which brings him a good income.

"I have built this auto house," says Mr. Washington, "and we are living in it because it suits us." We have taken a fancy to it, and would rather live here than anywhere else. You couldn't get more comfortable quarters or more conveniences in the best hotel, with the single exception of the water connection. And the water question does not bother us at all. On the road we can get a pall of it anywhere, can buy provisions whenever we need them, and for the rest we have it all right here."

Mr. and Mrs. Washington intend to start on a 1,000-mile trip to their old home in Maine. They expect to pass through New York and take in other prominent cities. Wherever they stop they will feel perfectly at home.

## EX-BALLPLAYER NOW A JUDGE.

Harry Taylor Earned Money at National Game to Pursue Studies.

New York.—It is doubtful whether Judge Harry L. Taylor, of the Erie county court at Buffalo, ever dreamed when he was a baseball player and student at Cornell university 15 years ago that at the age of 40 years he would be dispensing law and justice from the bench. A year ago Taylor held the office of president of the Eastern Baseball League, but was defeated for reelection last fall. Soon afterward Gov. Higgins appointed him to the position he now holds.

Judge Taylor is one of the few players who dropped professional baseball



JUDGE H. L. TAYLOR. (Former Star of Baseball Diamond Now on the Bench.)

at the height of his fame and with a brilliant future before him. He was born at Halsey Valley, Tioga county, N. Y. His boyhood was passed at Ithaca, and as a boy he was the star player of the corner lots. It was always his ambition to become a lawyer, and he became a professional player to earn the money to pursue his studies.

While at Cornell he played on the college team and his ability secured him a place on the Elmira team of the New York State League, where he played in 1888. In the winter he taught school. In the following year he joined the Louisville team of the old American Association. In 1890 the team, under the management of Jack Chapman, won the championship. Judge Taylor played there in 1891 and 1892, and in the winter studied at the Cornell Law School.

During the season of 1893 Taylor and Hugh Jennings, now manager of the Detroit club, were secured for the Baltimore team by Ned Hanlon. Taylor finished his studies at Cornell that year and announced to Hanlon that he was through with baseball as a player. Hanlon tried his best to get Taylor to change his mind, but he stuck to his decision, and the following year began the practice of law in Buffalo.

No man stands higher than Judge Taylor at Cornell university. Four years ago he was elected a trustee of the university, an honor he justly prizes very highly.

Taylor is a tall man, and in appearance and build bears a striking resemblance to Abraham Lincoln.

## CACTUS AS BIG AS A HOUSE.

Grows in Death Valley and Often Rises to a Height of 40 Feet.

This is a picture of the wonderful barrel cactus that rises in Death Valley and other deserts fully 30 and 40 feet high and forms a regular forest. When in blossom it has a small, bright flower, much smaller than of more modest cacti. Its chief attraction, and one that is far better than any number of flowers, lies in the fact that it contains a juice which will quench thirst. Many a prospector who has feared to lose his life has crept on



The Giant Cactus.

hands and knees toward this plant and eagerly sucked the syrup that has trickled down after the insertion of his knife. The Indians can live many days on these plants, which sometimes grow in patches and at other times are scattered. At Easter time, when these and the other varieties of cacti are in bloom, the Mojave Desert fairly glows with resurrection glory—a splendid blaze of yellow, white and red. The stoutness of this barrel cactus makes it withstand the severe sandstorms that break down the more slender varieties.

Talks for Shoe Workers. The Boston Y. M. C. A. is to give a winter course of talks to shoe workers. The aim is to give the workmen a wider and more thorough knowledge of the industry.



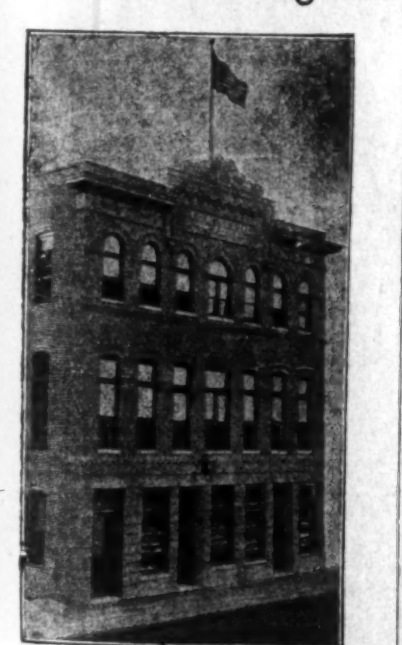
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**HAS THE ELOPING HABIT.**  
Third Time Girl Sixteen Years Old Leaves Home.  
New York.—Mrs. Hilda Simons of Britton street, Concord, Staten Island, called at police headquarters in Stapleton, and asked help in looking for her 16-year-old daughter Hilda, who had been missing since November 19.  
The young girl, who is exceptionally pretty, said when she left that she was going shopping in Stapleton and would return in an hour.  
Nothing has been seen or heard of her by her mother since.  
When she left home she wore a black dress, a tan coat and a big black picture hat.  
When Mrs. Simons was seen she said she was inclined to believe that her daughter eloped with a young man employed by the Richmond Light and Railroad company.  
This is the third time within two months that the girl has run away. On the first occasion she was found riding in a trolley car in Port Richmond after midnight with the young man and was taken home. On the second occasion she was found in Elizabethport.  
**DISCHARGE THE CATS.**  
New York Post Office Officials Decide That They Eat Too Much.  
New York.—Removals from the department of mouse catching in the general post office are expected within the next few days. The number of cats in the basement has increased to such an extent that it is impossible to keep their feed within the government appropriation of five dollars a month. Some of them must go, and the public which may be interested in the cat-catchers of the right stamp.

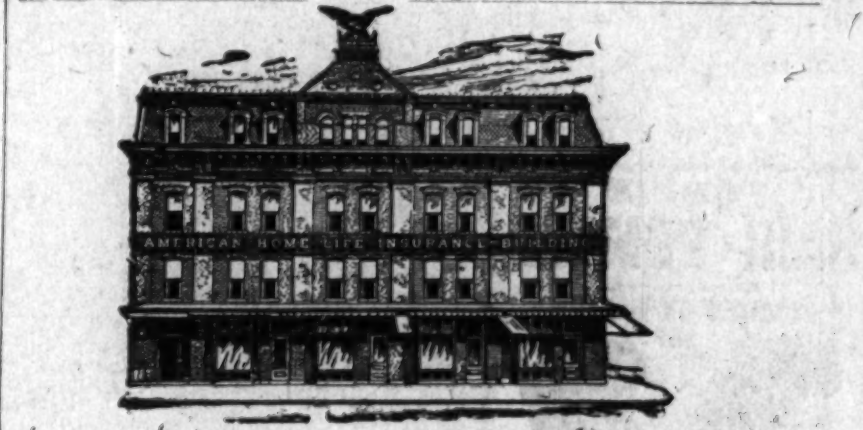
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Queen Helena is an Artist.  
Naples.—Under the guidance of Sig. Casiasco, the artist, Queen Helena has perfected herself in the execution of water colors and pastels. Some of her pictures will be sent to an exhibition at Venice, but under an assumed name, as the queen wishes to keep her identity secret.

**Asked to Decide Complexion.**  
Washington.—The school authorities of Washington have been called upon to decide whether a Filipino is white or colored. The problem was brought before them by Major M. F. Waltz, U. S. A., who sent a communication asking that his Filipino servant 22 years old, be admitted to the white schools of Washington. Major Waltz said that his servant had been denied admission to the public schools of Atlanta, Ga., on account of the prevailing race feeling. After much discussion the question was referred to a committee, which has not yet reported.

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